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Thanksgiving newspaper distributed on Wednesday

This year's Thanksgiving newspaper is being printed and distributed Wednesday, Nov. 27, since the U.S. Postal Service does not deliver on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 28. It is full of advertisements for Black Friday shopping deals and all the local news you'll need for the holiday weekend. Please call 260-563-2131 for more information.

Wabash Plain Dealer's new website now available

Check out our new website at www.wabashplaindealer.com and let us know what you think. Stories older than a few weeks are not yet available but will be soon.

Wabash Plain Dealer's new office now open

The Wabash Plain Dealer's new office is now open on the second floor at 99 W. Canal St.

Christian Heritage Church plans annual Thanksgiving dinner

The annual Thanksgiving dinner for the community has been planned from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 28 at Christian Heritage Church, 2776 River Road. Carry-out and delivery will also be available. For delivery call 260-569-7710. Please leave a message with your name, phone number, address and number of meals needed. These dinners will be provided free for all.

BMV announces Thanksgiving holiday hours

All Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicle (BMV) branches will be closed Thursday, Nov. 28 and Friday, Nov. 29 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. Branches will resume regularly scheduled business hours on Saturday, Nov. 30.

Downtown businesses to extend hours on select dates

Participating shops will be open until 7 p.m. on the following dates: Nov. 29 and 30. Dec. 6, 7, 12, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20 and 21.

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Tackling population decline



PHOTO BY ROB BURGESS / Plain Dealer

STUDY: Patty Grant, executive director of the Community Foundation of Wabash County, left, and Tenille Zartman, vice president of Grow Wabash County, present the key findings of the population decline study Tuesday, Nov. 12 at the Manchester Community Schools board meeting.

Grow Wabash County, Community Foundation present key findings

BY ROB BURGESS rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com

This summer, Grow Wabash County and the Community Foundation of Wabash County partnered to take a deep dive into one of the most pressing issues facing Wabash County: population decline.

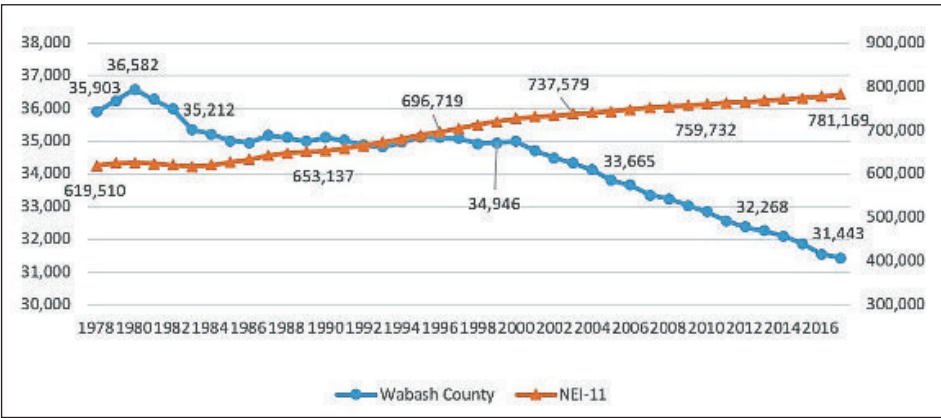
Since then, representatives from the two organizations have taken it upon themselves to address various groups around the county and share with them the findings from their research.

One such presentation occurred earlier this month at the Manchester Community Schools (MCS) board meeting, where Patty Grant, executive director of the Community Foundation of Wabash County, and Tenille Zartman, vice president of Grow Wabash County, presented the challenges and opportunities ahead.

Grant said the two organizations partnered on the study, which was funded by Lilly Endowment's Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow (GIFT) initiative phase VII grant.

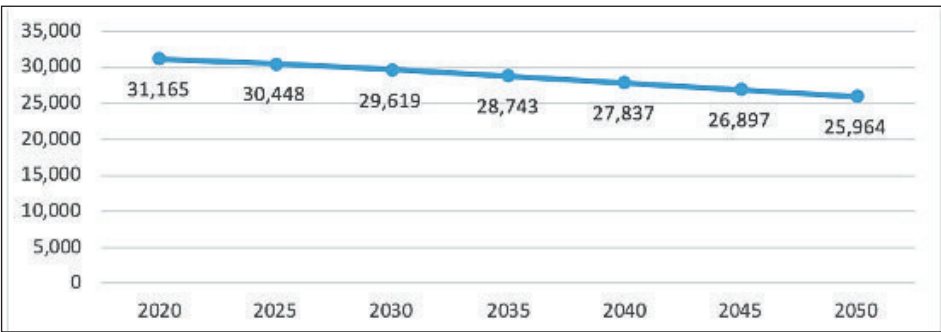
"We wanted to sharpen the focus. We wanted to create a sense of urgency across the whole county," she said.

The Community Research Institute at Purdue University



PROVIDED GRAPHICS

DECLINE: Covering 1978 to 2016, this graph shows the population decline in Wabash County, in blue, as compared to the population increase in the 11-county northeast Indiana region, in orange.



PROJECTION: According to the Indiana Business Research Center at the Indiana University Kelley School of Business, Wabash County's population is projected to further decline 16.69 percent in the next 30 years.

Fort Wayne worked with Transform Consulting Group, Becker Consulting and Make No Small Plans to provide data.

"Population decline in

Wabash County has been a real but almost invisible trend when factored against rising income, increasing households and escalating property values," stated

the study. "Just because it isn't obvious doesn't mean it isn't happening, and its potential for detrimental

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Indiana's Alzheimer's Association offers Thanksgiving tips for caregivers

Around 340,000 Hoosiers serving as Alzheimer's and dementia caregivers

Staff Report

The Thanksgiving holiday can be a joyous time of year, but it can also be stressful. That's especially true for families of the 340,000 Hoosiers currently serving as Alzheimer's and dementia caregivers. The Alzheimer's Association Greater Indiana Chapter is offering tips for Thanksgiving travel and family gatherings, according to a press release:

■ Familiarize others with the situation. The holidays

are full of emotions, so it can help to let guests know what to expect before they arrive. If the person is in the early stages of the disease, relatives and friends might not notice any changes. But the person with dementia may have trouble following conversation or tend to repeat themselves. Family members can help with communication by being patient, not interrupting or correcting, and giving the person time to finish his or her thoughts. If the person is in the middle or late stages of Alzheimer's, there may be significant changes in cognitive abilities since the last time an out-of-town friend or relative has visited. These changes can be hard to accept.

Caregivers may find it easier to share changes in a letter or email that can be sent to multiple recipients.

■ Adjust expectations. The stress of caregiving responsibilities layered with holiday traditions can take a toll. Caregivers may want to call a face-to-face meeting or arrange for a group discussion via telephone, video chat or email for family and friends to discuss holiday celebrations. It may also be necessary to adjust expectations or traditions. For example, if Thanksgiving dinner is traditionally held in the evening, but the person with the disease tends to be more confused and agitated at that time, shifting it to earlier in

the day may help.

■ Take travel precautions. Thanksgiving often involves travel, which can be especially challenging. It is best to stick with familiar places, avoid layovers if possible, and be aware that changes in the environment can trigger wandering.

■ Reach out for help. The Alzheimer's Association has a free Helpline that is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, even on holidays at 800-272-3900. Specially trained staff can help with questions about communicating with a person with dementia, safety issues, local resources or any other question caregivers or other family members may have.

Delinquent property taxpayers now owe penalty

Those still owing have 5 percent penalty, which will rise to 10 percent Dec. 12

BY ROB BURGESS

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The fall installment for Wabash County property taxes was due Nov. 12, and delinquent taxpayers now owe a penalty.

"Last year we had collected 94.5 percent and this year was 94.4 percent of fall taxes due," stated LuAnn Layman, Wabash County treasurer, in response to a Plain Dealer request Tuesday.

Indiana law requires the county treasurer to add a late payment penalty to the unpaid portions of the amounts due for each installment of property taxes.

The penalty will be in the amount of 5 percent of the unpaid tax if the installment is completely paid on

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Shop Black Friday and Small Business Saturday downtown

Several businesses to host specials during two-day event

Staff Report

Wabash Marketplace has announced details for the upcoming Black Friday and Small Business Saturday event

Friday, Nov. 29, and Saturday, Nov. 30 will be the dates of this two-day event, according to a press release.

Visit businesses in downtown Wabash for specials and promotions. Hours may vary, so check with participating businesses.

"#ShopSmall is the theme with free gifts and swag from American Express," stated the release.

Promotions available include:

■ Charley Creek Inn: Holiday gift card promotion will begin. Wine & Cheese and Ice Cream & Candy Shoppe will open early at 10 a.m. both days. Customizable gift baskets are available in both Wine & Cheese and Ice Cream & Candy Shoppe.

■ Ellen's Bridal and Dress Boutique: On Small Business Saturday, the hours will be 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. No appointment is necessary.

■ Make It Your Own: Black Friday hours will be noon to 8 p.m. with free kids studio fees. On Saturday, hours will be 10 a.m. to

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effects is not far off for Wabash County.”

Projected decline by the numbers

Zartman said Wabash County’s population, which peaked at 36,582 in 1980 and sat at 31,443 in 2016, is projected to continue to decline through 2050. Those numbers represent a 14.05 percent decrease.

“Although the population is declining, our number of households is increasing,” she said.

Zartman said this was because there were more single non-family homes. She said Manchester University students were not included in that data, just full-time residents.

Wabash County’s employment picture was still heavily manufacturing-based but this sector has lost 50.35 percent of its jobs in the last 17 years. Overall per capita personal income in Wabash County is also below the national average.

School enrollment is also falling in all two of the three school districts in Wabash County and is projected to continue to do so. Though, Zartman said these numbers were ahead of forecasts. However, she said this trend was not sustainable as most of the new students were from surrounding counties, which were also losing population.

Listening to the next generation

Grant said they interviewed focus groups of millennials who grew up in Wabash County, but moved away. She said half of those interviewed didn’t see themselves ever moving back. Of the millennials they interviewed who grew up in Wabash County, but did move back after college, half of those said they were unsure or didn’t expect to stay within the next five years.

Grant said these millennials felt there was a lack of

employment opportunities, high-speed internet, housing, retail, public transportation and social engagement. Grant said the millennials they surveyed suggested: diversifying employment industries, addressing housing issues, investing more resources into schools, marketing Wabash County, developing retail and social opportunities, partnering more with Manchester University and increasing the number of quality jobs and wages.

Zartman said several national trends have been playing out locally. She said this population loss is not the fault of local leadership, but part of a macro problem. She said the growth of adults ages 45 and older means lower family formation and birth rate. She said the declining manufacturing employment meant there was a need for financial activities and business services and professional jobs.

Zartman said given the distance from a metro area and the lack of interstate access meant the geographic isolation of Wabash County was also a detriment. She said several rural communities around the country and world are struggling with the same issues.

Solutions

Grant said there was no magic bullet to stemming the tide, but that they had to be strategic, intentional and bold. She said it was time to focus on what they

could control. “This is not the time to tinker,” she said. Grant said developing a comprehensive plan for Wabash County and a fiscal policy analysis would be essential. She said strengthening resources, partnering with organizations in the region, welcoming newcomers, continue downtown revitalization efforts and advancing housing strategies would also be key.

“We hear often from Manchester University folks that are locating here that they can’t find good places to live. That’s a shame and we want to focus on that,” she said.

Zartman said on the economic development front, they should be aggressive in their support of existing businesses, support entrepreneurship and innovation and leverage Wabash County’s core economic strengths.

Zartman said in terms of education, they needed to maintain a competitive system, develop local job opportunities and skills requirements, create sustainable incentives for young adults to start careers and develop student school engagement.

“Be the school of choice. Make the faculty of Manchester University want to live here because they want to put their kids in school here so they’re not driving back to Fort Wayne at the end of the workday,” she said.

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Showtimes for Friday, November 22-Thursday, November 28

All showtimes have Closed Captioning available.

A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood (I) Thurs: 6:50 Fri: 6:40, 9:35 Sat: 12:55, 4:05, 6:40, 9:35 Sun: 12:55, 4:05, 6:40 Mon-Tues: 6:40 Wed: 12:55, 4:05, 6:40	Frozen II in RealD 3D (PG) Fri: 9:15 Sat: 3:35, 9:15 Sun: 3:35 Wed: 3:35	Ford V Ferrari (PG13) Thurs: 6:40 Fri: 6:30 Sat: 12:40, 3:45, 6:30, 9:25 Sun: 12:40, 3:45, 6:30 Mon-Tues: 6:30 Wed: 12:40, 3:45, 6:30
Frozen II in 2D (PG) Thurs: 6:30 Fri: 6:50 Sat-Sun: 1:15, 6:50 Mon-Tues: 6:50 Wed: 1:15, 6:50	Charles Angels (PG13) Thurs: 7:10 Fri: 7:10, 9:50 Sat: 1:25, 4:15, 7:10, 9:50 Sun: 1:25, 4:15, 7:10 Mon-Tues: 7:10 Wed: 1:25, 4:15, 7:10	Playing with Fire (PG) Thurs: 7:00 Fri: 7:00, 9:45 Sat: 1:05, 3:55, 7:00, 9:45 Sun: 1:05, 3:55, 7:00 Mon-Tues: 7:00 Wed: 1:05, 3:55, 7:00

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 Wednesday Rain Likely 52 / 31	 Thursday Cloudy 39 / 29	 Friday Rain & Snow Possible 40 / 32	 Saturday Rain Likely 48 / 40	 Sunday Scattered Rain 43 / 35
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Sun and Moon

Today's sunset 5:22 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 7:49 a.m.

 First 12/4	 Full 12/12	 Last 12/18	 New 12/26
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Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 100% chance of rain, high temperature of 52°, humidity of 70%. Southwest wind 24 to 33 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 31°. West northwest wind 7 to 24 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 23°.

New drug treatment brings hope for those with cystic fibrosis

DEAR DOCTOR: Our godson has cystic fibrosis, and seeing him struggle these past eight years has been hard. Is the new drug Trikafta we’ve been reading about really as good as people are saying?

Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier Ask the Doctors



DEAR READER: Yes, it appears that the new therapy you’re referring to is indeed a game-changer in the treatment of cystic fibrosis, or CF. Trikafta is a combination of three drugs, which target the cause of cystic fibrosis at the cellular level. In fact, the results of clinical trials were so promising, the Food and Drug Administration approved the treatment five months ahead of its deadline. The agency announced its decision on Oct. 21 and said that the new drug regimen is expected to help up to 90 percent of those living with the disease.

Cystic fibrosis is a rare and life-threatening disease in which a gene mutation causes the proteins found in mucus, sweat, tears, saliva and digestive juices to malfunction. Instead of remaining thin and slippery, the faulty gene causes these bodily secretions to become abnormally thick and sticky. The resulting mucus collects in the lungs and various digestive organs. This causes a dangerous buildup of mucus in the lungs, which makes it difficult to breathe and to get adequate oxygen. People with CF are particularly vulnerable to lung infections, and they face eventual respiratory failure. Treatment thus far has focused on various methods of keeping the lungs clear. This includes the use of mucus-thinning and anti-inflammatory drugs, and physical interventions, such as vibrating vests to loosen mucus, which is then coughed up. The disease also interferes with digestion, and it causes problems in the reproductive system. Your godson is one of about 30,000 people in the United States, and an estimated 75,000 people worldwide, living with the disease. Although references to cystic fibrosis date back to the Middle Ages, it wasn’t until 1938 that cystic fibro-

sis was formally described as a disease. It took another 51 years for researchers to identify the specific gene mutation that causes it.

Three decades later, Trikafta represents the first major breakthrough in cystic fibrosis treatment. Patients in clinical trials saw dramatic improvements in lung function. At least one woman, who previously struggled to walk a short distance, celebrated by taking part in a 5K run. The drug, which is approved for patients 12 years and older, can cause potentially serious side effects, including liver problems and cataracts. Less serious side effects include headache, diarrhea, rash and stomach problems. Another potential challenge is the cost of the drug, which runs about \$311,000 per year. And because cystic fibrosis can be caused by several

mutations, some of them rare, the drug will not work for everyone.

Still, this new therapy is a cause for hope. Fifty years ago, it was rare for someone diagnosed with cystic fibrosis to live into their teens. Due to advances in chest physiotherapy to clear mucus from the lungs, cystic fibrosis patients typically now live into their 30s and 40s. With this latest breakthrough, the hope is that cystic fibrosis will move from a fatal disease to a chronic and manageable condition.

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Cash 5
03-06-18-27-30
Estimated jackpot: \$75,000
Cash4Life
26-30-40-53-54, Cash Ball: 4
Daily Three-Midday
7-3-7, SB: 5
Daily Three-Evening
4-8-9, SB: 6
Daily Four-Midday
4-5-1-5, SB: 5
Daily Four-Evening
1-7-7-6, SB: 6
Mega Millions
Estimated jackpot: \$226 million
Powerball
Estimated jackpot: \$100 million

TUESDAY'S METALS

Aluminum79
Copper 2.65
Lead89
Zinc 1.05
Gold 1,455.57
Silver 16.95
Platinum 900.56

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Mary Lou Gibson-Cosby
Nov. 30, 1940 - Nov. 23, 2019

Mary Lou Gibson-Cosby, 78, Wabash, and daughter of the late William and Mary (Watson) Gibson, was born Nov. 30, 1940, in Madison, Indiana. She attended Broadway High School and graduated from Madison Consolidated High School. She earned an associate's degree in nursing in Indianapolis, and worked in Wabash as a licensed practical nurse for Dr. Richard LaSalle. She also earned an associate degree in early childhood education and owned Mary's Family Day Care Plus. She also owned a real estate entrepreneurship in Wabash along with her son, Andre.

Mrs. Gibson-Cosby enjoyed flower gardening, raising and watching birds, and was adored by her beloved dog, Daisy. She was a member of Broadway Baptist Church in Madison and Zion Lutheran Church in Wabash for over 30 years. Her favorite Bible verse was Philippians 4:13: "I can do all things through Him, who gives me strength." Her strength was something for which she was admired, but she would be quick to tell you that her strength came from her faith and trust in Jesus.

Mrs. Gibson-Cosby passed away after a long, courageous battle with cancer on Saturday, Nov. 23, 2019, at the home of her son and daughter-in-law in Indianapolis.

Her life will be cherished by her children: James "Jim" Cosby, III (Connie) of Indianapolis, Andre Cosby, of Wabash, Christopher Cosby (Cindi) of Carmel, Indiana, Mary Ann Abramson (Dustin) of Avon, Indiana, and Matthew Cosby of Houston,



Texas; 2 sisters: Geraldine Lacey (James) of Indianapolis, Wilma Banks of Indianapolis; one brother, Floyd Gibson (Jeri Marshall) of Deputy, Indiana; 9 grandchildren: Malcolm Wells (Komal) of Indianapolis (Jim & Connie), Kaedyn Day of Wabash (Andre), Jazen Cosby, Cyan Cosby, Honor Cosby and Drej Cosby, all of Carmel (Chris & Cindi), and Mary Malyka Abramson, Keith Abramson and Maya Abramson, all of Avon (Mary Ann & Dustin); 2 great grandchildren: Anya Wells and Ahyan Wells, both of Indianapolis (Malcolm & Komal); and her former husband, James "Jim" Cosby, II of Wabash.

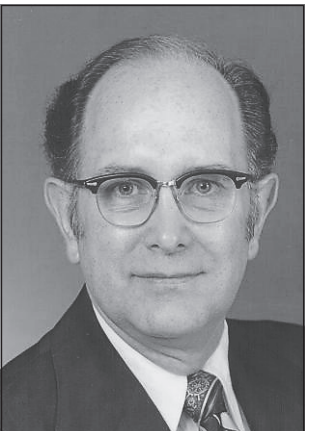
She was preceded in death by 3 brothers: Jimmy, Junior and Harold Henry Gibson; and 2 sisters: Georgia Gibson and Priscilla Scott.

Funeral services at 12 p.m. Saturday at The Broadway Baptist Church, Madison, with interment in Springdale Cemetery. Viewing at the Lytle-Welty Funeral Homes, Main Street Chapel, Madison from 5 - 8 p.m., Friday, November 29, and at the church after 11 a.m., Saturday.

Ernest G. Barr
Sept. 7, 1926 - Nov. 24, 2019

Ernest G. Barr, 93, died at 2:20 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 24, 2019 at Timbercrest Retirement Community in North Manchester, Indiana. He was born in Chicago, Illinois on Sept. 7, 1926, and was the second son of the late Francis H. Barr and Rebecca (McKonly) Barr Fike.

Ernest served 20 months in CPS (Civilian Public Service) in 1944-46. On June 3, 1949, he married Cleona Neher of Gettysburg, Ohio; she died May 24, 2018. He was a lifelong member of the Church of the Brethren and contributed in many capacities in local congregations. He served as chair of the South/Central Indiana District Board of the denomination and as moderator of that district. He was also chair of the Bethany Theological Seminary Board, and chair of the Church of the Brethren General Board. He served as member of the Manchester College Board of Trustees. In 1994, Manchester College honored him with a Manchester College Alumni Award and in 1999 an honorary Doctor of Science degree. He graduated from Manchester College with an A.B. in chemistry and from Purdue University with an M.S. He was an emeritus member of the American Chemical Society and worked his entire career of 37 years at Eli Lilly and Company. Following retirement, he worked



17 years in Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis, and Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, as a volunteer chaplain.

He is survived by his daughter, Kathleen (Stephen P.) Barr Hollenberg of Goshen, Indiana; 2 brothers, Francis H. (Evelyn) Barr of North Manchester and John G. Barr of Bridgewater, Virginia; 4 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandsons. He was also preceded in death by a daughter, Carol Barr Miller.

Services will be 3:30 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 29, 2019 at Timbercrest Chapel, 2201 East Street, North Manchester, with visitation one hour prior the service. Arrangements are by Grandstaff-Hentgen Bender Chapel.

Memorials are encouraged in lieu of flowers and may be given to the Ernest and Cleona Barr Endowment for Peace Studies at Manchester University.

Alice E. Montel Hasty Schumaker
March 30, 1919 - Nov. 23, 2019

Alice E. Montel Hasty Schumaker, 100, Noblesville, Indiana passed away Nov. 23, 2019. On March 30, 1919, Alice was born in Silver Lake, Indiana to Ralph and Oznola (Freed) Montel.

Family and friends may call Friday, Nov. 29, 2019 from 12:30 - 2 p.m. at the Eel River Community Church,

2507 State Road 14, Silver Lake, Indiana 46982. Funeral services will begin at the conclusion of calling. Pastor Doug Reichenbach and burial will be held at Ulrey Memorial Cemetery, 2507 State Road 14, Silver Lake, Indiana 46982.

Arrangements are entrusted to McKee Mortuary.

James Edward Poor Sr.

James Edward Poor Sr., 69, passed away peacefully at home on Nov. 25, 2019 at 6:20 a.m. after a weekend with a house full of family and friends which was his favorite pastime... visiting with family and friends. He was diagnosed with liver cancer in late September of this year. Thankfully, God saw to limit his discomfort to a short part of his life. His love of music, church and prayer has given him peace.

He was born in Anderson, Indiana, spent most of his life in Wabash and later the Culver and Plymouth area. He proudly graduated from Southwood High School and then retired from Lear Corporation in 2012 to enjoy more time with family and friends. Jim never met a stranger and would strike up a conversation with anyone who was interested. His special sense of humor prevented life from ever being boring when he was in the room.

He leaves his current wife (Shearin), 5 brothers (Bill, Mike, Kenny, Steve, David), 1 sister (Tina), 10 children (James Jr, Vicky, Cory, Angie, Denver, Mike, Deanna, Darcie, Harvey, Leah and a boy given up for adoption in 1990), 2 grandsons he raised (AJ and Austin), 25 additional grandchildren, 2 great grand-daughters, a great



grandchild (on the way), a well loved mother-in-law (Dorothy) and numerous nieces, nephews and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, his 1st wife (Mary), a brother (Victor), a sister (Linda) and a grandson (Danial).

Instead of flowers ... donations to the funeral home for burial, Cancer Society and Center for Hospice would be appreciated.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, Nov. 30, 2019, at The Community Church of God, 601 S. Michigan, LaPaz, Indiana from 1 - 3 p.m. with celebration of life at 3 p.m. with Pastor Sam McClimins officiating.

Deaton-Clemens Van Gilder Funeral Home is privileged to be entrusted in arranging the services.

Condolences may be left at vangilderfuneralhome.com.

Rachel L. Miller
Oct. 16, 1933 - Nov. 24, 2019

Rachel L. Miller, of Amboy, passed away on Sunday, Nov. 24, 2019 at her residence. She was born on Oct. 16, 1933, in Wabash, Indiana, to the late Charles and Addie Belle Kendall. Rachel retired from Wabash Healthcare.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 29, 2019 at McDonald Funeral

Home, 231 Falls Avenue, Wabash, Indiana 46992. Burial will follow at Mississinewa Memorial Cemetery in Somerset.

Friends and family may call one hour prior to services starting at 9 a.m. at the funeral home.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.mcdonaldfunerals.com

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Winter Banner Competition artwork displayed

The students' artwork will hang in the Clark Gallery at the Honeywell Center through Sunday, Dec. 1.

Cami Shrock concert planned for Dec. 1

Cami Shrock will be in concert at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 1 at the Wabash First Church of God, 525 N. Miami St. The public is invited to attend. There is no charge but seating is limited. A love offering will be received for the ministry of Cami Shrock. Following the concert, there will be a carry-in dinner at the REMC conference room. Meat, drinks and tableware will be furnished. For additional information, call 260-563-5346.

'It's a Wonderful Life' to be shown at the Honeywell Center

"It's a Wonderful Life" will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3 in the Honeywell Center's Ford Theater. The admission fee will be \$2 per person.

Salamonie Preschool program 'B is for Bird Beak,' set for Dec. 3

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool's "B is for Bird Beak" from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3 at Upper Wabash Interpretive Services in

Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. The program fee is \$2 per child. Advance registration is appreciated. Register by calling 260-468-2127.

University Bands Concert set for Dec. 4

The University Bands Concert will take place at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 4 in the Assembly Room at Timbercrest Senior Living Community, 2201 East St., North Manchester. Tickets are \$5 general admission; free for MU students, faculty and staff.

Woman's Clubhouse plans evening Christmas dinner

Don't forget the Christmas evening dinner Thursday, Dec. 5. It is the annual holiday fundraiser with a very special dinner and entertainment. The house will be decorated in an angel theme this year. Contact Carol McDonald by phone at 260-563-2331 or Mary Delauter at 260-563-6613 for more information.

Museum to host Family Fun Night

The Wabash County Historical Museum, 36 E. Market St., will host a Family Fun Night on Friday, Dec. 6, featuring a visit from Santa Claus.

Lessons and Carols service set for Dec. 6

The Lessons and Carols worship service will take place at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6 at Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beck-

ley St., North Manchester. This service blends lessons of the season with traditional Christmas carols and hymns, featuring Manchester University Chamber Singers and Cantabile.

Holiday Pops! concert set for Dec. 8

The Manchester Symphony Orchestra Holiday Pops! concert will take place at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8 in Cordier Auditorium. Tickets are \$15 general admission; free for MU students, faculty and staff, as well as all students age 18 and younger.

'The Polar Express' to be shown at the Honeywell Center

"The Polar Express" will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10 in the Honeywell Center's Ford Theater. The admission fee will be \$2 per person.

Christmas at the Museum Annual Banquet planned

On Wednesday, Dec. 11, the Wabash County Historical Museum, 36 E. Market St., will be hosting Christmas at the Museum Annual Banquet.

LaFontaine Lions to host Santa Breakfast

The LaFontaine Lions will host a Santa Breakfast from 7:30 to 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 14 at the LaFontaine Community Building. The menu will include scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage, sausage gravy, biscuit, juice, milk

and coffee. Santa arrives at 9 a.m. There will be a free-will donation. Proceeds will go towards the LaFontaine United Methodist Church food pantry. Please bring in non-perishable foods. Donations of old glasses and keys will also be accepted.

Honeywell House to host holiday floral arranging

Jennifer Love-George of Love Bug Floral will instruct guests on creating a seasonal arrangement at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 7 at 720 N. Wabash St. The cost is \$25 per person, which covers all materials. Seating is limited, but reservations are encouraged and can be made at www.HoneywellHouse.org or by calling the Box Office at 260-563-1102.

'White Christmas' to be shown at the Honeywell Center

"White Christmas" will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17 in the Honeywell Center's Ford Theater. The admission fee will be \$2 per person.

Celebrate 'The Wonders of Winter' on Dec. 18

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool's "The Wonders of Winter" from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18 at Salamonie Interpretive Center in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. The program fee

is \$2 per child. Advance registration is appreciated. Register by calling Upper Wabash Interpretive Services at 260-468-2127. For more information on other UWIS programs, visit dnr.IN.gov/uwis or face book.com/upperwabash.

DivorceCare presents 'Surviving the Holidays' series

The DivorceCare support group, which meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Room 112 in the Wabash Friends Church, 3563 South State Road 13, will be offering a DVD series "Surviving the Holidays" through Tuesday, Dec. 17. Group leader and members of the group meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Subway, 1812 S. Wabash St., on State Road 15. For more information, call 260-563-8453, 877-350-1658 or group leader Janet Quillen at 260-571-5235; email office@wabashfriends.org; or visit www.divorcecare.org.

Breakfast with Santa planned

On Saturday, Dec. 21, Santa will be coming to Breakfast with Santa and will have a special treat for children at the Wabash County Historical Museum, 36 E. Market St.

Editor's note: If you have an upcoming event to submit, please send it by email to news@wabashplaindealer.com no later than five days before the event itself. Please use complete sentences, Associated Press style and Microsoft Word or PDF file formats.

PENALTY

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or before the 30 days after the due date and property owners are not liable for delinquent property taxes first due and payable in a previous installment for the same parcel.

The last day to pay with a 5 percent penalty will be Thursday, Dec. 12.

If taxes are due for more than the second installment of this year, then the penalty will be in the amount of 10 percent of the unpaid tax.

The county treasurer's office is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday in the Wabash County Courthouse.

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DOWNTOWN

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3 p.m. with 20 percent off the entire purchase.

■ Downtown Nutrition: On Black Friday, the "Shake and Shop" event will feature several vendors inside the shop from Scentsy, Usborne Books, Monat, Younique and Craft vendor. On Small Business Saturday, there will be a raffle drawing for a \$25 gift certificate and thermal cup giveaway.

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speak up

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inspiration corner

Daily scripture

And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Hebrews 10:24-25

our take

Happy Thanksgiving!

While most of us won't be feasting on lobsters, clams, venison and duck like the pilgrims and Native Americans did in the early 1600s, many will gorge on a Thanksgiving feast that will leave us so full that we'll be thinking about our New Year's resolutions.

It's easy to get distracted during the holidays with Christmas lights already popping up, blockbuster movies and Black Friday doorbuster deals that encroach further and further on family time at Thanksgiving. Capitalists know we love a good deal, but it's important that we resist the urge to buy into these ploys that threaten to make families even further removed than they already are.

Let us tell you right now, no amount of savings can make up for time spent with your loved ones. Nothing can.

Thanksgiving reminds us to slow down in our hectic lives to focus on the necessities: food, family, tradition and blessings.

It's a time to be thankful for a good harvest and to count of blessings that we take for granted each and every day. Back in the day, Thanksgiving used to be one of the last times our society would indulge in fresh fruit pies, seasonal vegetables and treats before a long winter of preserved meats, root vegetables

and stale bread.

It's also a day off work to catch up with family and friends who've gone down different paths. We all lead increasingly complex and fast-paced lives, toting phones around 24/7 so we never get a chance to fully relax. That's why a day of conversation, small talk and pleasantries goes a long way to strengthen relationships ahead of the approaching new year.

It's about tradition, something we must all pass along because without tradition, we lose our culture, history, experience and unity. Without the older generation's passing of wisdom, many people born today wouldn't realize how tough life used to be for many. Millennials are used to our global food markets that bring produce to our supermarkets year-round, but pilgrims weren't always that lucky.

In fact, many pilgrim's first experience in America included being stuck on a ship while sheltering from a harsh winters as the jam-packed boats fended off deadly diseases like scurvy.

It was actually the Wampanoag Indians who helped the Pilgrims at Plymouth Colony learn how to cultivate farms, most notably corn, a staple now for all Thanksgiving feasts. In 1621, both parties celebrated what most people consider

the first true thanksgiving meal, even harvest feasts were common at the time and Francisco Vasquez de Coronado and the Teya Indians held a feast in Palo Duro Canyon, Texas in 1541.

All 13 colonies joined in the American tradition in 1777, and by 1789, President George Washington declared Nov. 26 a national day of thanksgiving. Multiple people wrote essays, letter and declarations about the holiday, but it was President Abraham Lincoln who set aside the last Thursday of November as our national holiday. In 1941, President Franklin Roosevelt reestablished the fourth Thursday of November as Thanksgiving, and six years later, President Harry Truman became the first president to officially pardon a turkey marked for dinner at the White House.

One of the best parts of holidays are the traditions surrounding them. Some families play a game of football, others have pie eating contests and many hold hands as they pray before the meal.

If you don't have special traditions, here's a suggestion of one we should all adopt: say no to Black Friday deals until Thanksgiving Day has passed.

Time with family and friends is invaluable.

Republicans are reduced to fabricating an alternate reality

After this week's impeachment testimony, if Republicans continue to insist that Dear Leader President Trump did absolutely nothing wrong – and they may do just that – then the GOP has surrendered any claim to being a political party. It would be a full-fledged cult of personality.

Eugene Robinson



U.S. Ambassador to the European Union Gordon Sondland, who gave hours of riveting testimony Wednesday, clearly was determined not to be the fall guy for Trump's Ukraine bribery scheme.

He saw the danger of being portrayed as some sort of rogue actor, and he was having none of that.

"We followed the president's orders," he testified. And in defining "we," he implicated Vice President Pence, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, acting White House chief of staff Mick Mulvaney and Energy Secretary Rick Perry, among others, as knowing of or participating in the attempt to coerce Ukrainian officials into fabricating dirt on Trump's potential Democratic opponent in the coming election, Joe Biden.

There was an actual rogue actor orchestrating this outrageous shakedown attempt – Rudy Giuliani, Trump's personal attorney. From Sondland and other witnesses, we learned that the officials whose job was managing relations with Ukraine resented having to follow Giuliani's lead. But they did so anyway.

Sworn testimony before the House Intelligence Committee has revealed a clear quid pro quo that amounts to bribery: Newly elected Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky would not get the release of nearly \$400 million in military aid or a White House meeting with Trump unless Zelensky announced an investigation of Biden and his son Hunter, who served on the board of the Ukrainian energy company Burisma.

The most devastating part of Sondland's testimony, for me, was when he said that Trump wasn't actually interested in having the Ukrainians unearth any new information. He just wanted Biden smeared.

"I never heard ... anyone say that the investigations had to start, or had to be completed," Sondland testified. "The only thing I heard from Mr. Giuliani or otherwise was that they had to be announced in some form."

Arms for dirt. That was the exchange Trump demanded, using as leverage taxpayer funds that had been appropriated to buttress U.S. national security. Explain to me how anyone can honestly believe that is an appropriate use of presidential power.

"The Republicans are in denial about the facts," House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., said Thursday, in what had to be the understatement of the year.

The fact is that Republicans in the House, at least publicly, have performed heroic gyrations and contortions to remain in lock step with the president. As devastating fact after devastating fact has emerged in the testimony, Trump's defenders are reduced to arguing, essentially, that Trump can do no wrong.

If reality is inconvenient for the president, Republicans ignore it and create their own faux reality. In her opening statement, submitted in advance to the intelligence committee, former National Security Council official Fiona Hill called the idea that Ukraine interfered in the 2016 election a "fictional narrative." But before she even got a chance to read her statement, Rep. Devin Nunes, R-Calif., used his time at the microphone to argue that the Ukraine fairytale was real. Perhaps if he closed his eyes and wished really hard, I suppose, his wish might come true.

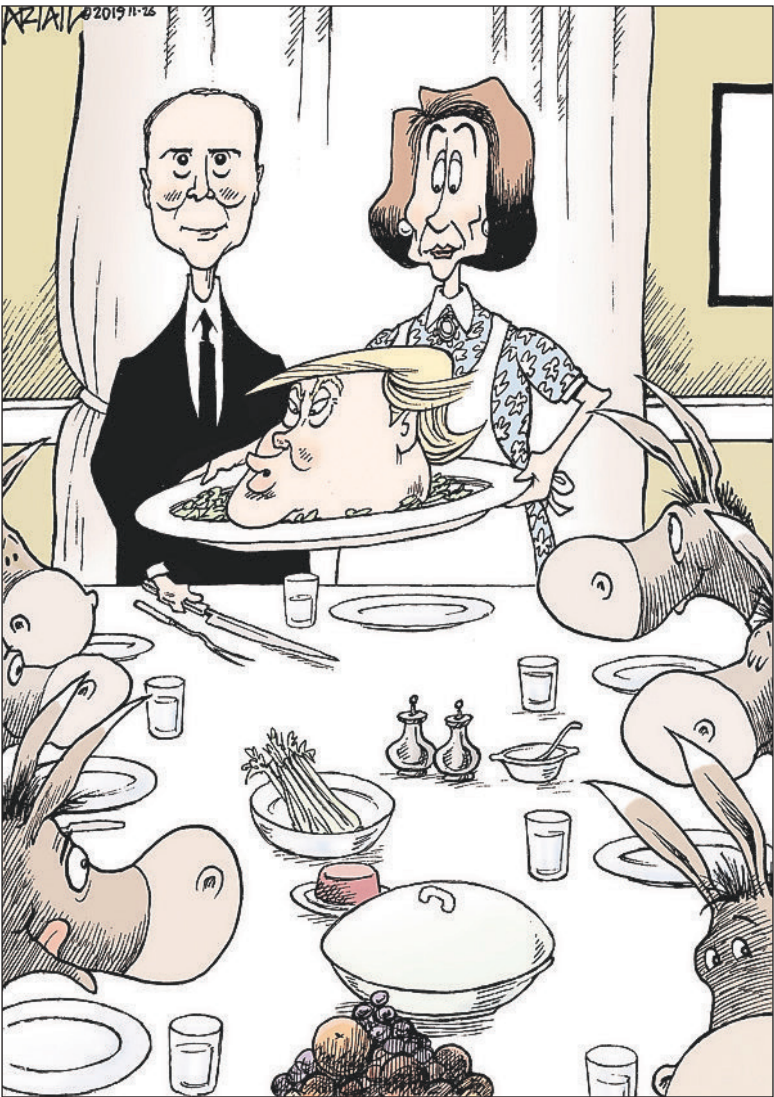
Republicans were unable to challenge the testimony of the witnesses called before the committee, so instead they tried to question their character and even their patriotism. They questioned Lt. Col. Alexander Vindman on Tuesday in such a way as to imply, but not come out and allege, that his loyalty was to Ukraine rather than the United States. They tried to portray career diplomats such as George Kent and Bill Taylor as part of the mythical and oh-so-scary "deep state."

It would be one thing if Republicans were saying that what Trump did was wrong but does not rise to the level of impeachment. Instead, however, they continue to pretend that Trump is somehow infallible – that because of his vast presidential powers, or perhaps because of some imagined mandate of heaven, what he did must have been not just acceptable but entirely justified.

How glorious it was to send Giuliani to run a shadow foreign policy! How noble to be so concerned about corruption in a far-away land! How brilliant to squeeze Zelensky to besmirch it a "rabid dog" like Biden.

Oops, sorry, it was North Korea's Kim Jong Un who said Biden was a "rabid dog;" and it was Trump who said he wasn't. Forgive me, but it was an honest mistake. Sometimes I get my "Dear Leaders" mixed up.

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Impeachment hearings revealed diplomatic grace

After fidgeting through five days of public hearings, a dozen witnesses and countless political pontificators, Americans should be gratified by the quality of the people who testified and who actually do the nation's work abroad.

If there was a silver lining to an otherwise embarrassing chapter in our history, it was that we were able to meet and hear from those whose names aren't well known except to their colleagues. To listen and observe was to have one's faith restored in America's image despite the withering damage suffered these past few years.

One after another, the men and women who testified, subjecting themselves to the sometimes-scurrilous scrutiny of political profilers, maintained their focus and their cool. It was grating to hear the screech of Rep. Jim Jordan, R-Ohio, whose raised voice surely signaled a stretch-and-restroom break for many viewers. While we're on the subject, can't the man put on a blazer? Jordan appeared without one, putting in mind a teenager who refuses to play by his parents' rules.

May I remind him and others that dress codes are intended to show respect for the occasion and for others in attendance. Surely, our congressional leaders owe their constituents – and, in this case, the process – the small personal sacrifice of dressing appropriately. To do otherwise is to telegraph to the world that you think you're more important than everyone else. Jordan also proved that age and maturity can be mutually exclusive.

There, I got that off my chest. (Parents may clip for personal use.)

Quite apart from the question of whether President Trump should

be impeached, viewers of the hearings were privy to history and were beneficiaries of a primer on current events. Often lost in the drama of the impeachment proceedings is the

profound importance of Ukraine as a buffer to a resurgent Russian empire.

Trump's withholding of \$400 million in military funding from Ukraine during its war with Russia – pending assurances that Ukrainian President Volodymyr

Zelensky would at least say he'd investigate the Biden's involvement with the gas company Burisma – put Ukrainian lives at risk and signaled to Russia that U.S. support of Ukraine was credibly iffy.

One of the pivotal questions during the hearings was whether America's diplomatic corps understood that "Burisma" was actually code for the "Bidens," meaning political rival Joe Biden and his son Hunter, who was employed by Burisma. Only two witnesses claimed not to have known about the connection. One was Kurt Volker, a former envoy to Ukraine, who later said he should have caught on sooner. The other was U.S. Ambassador to the European Union Gordon Sondland, whose claim was deemed "not credible" by witness Fiona Hill, the National Security Council's former senior director for Europe and Russia, and a standout in the lineup of witnesses.

At several junctures, Hill schooled House Intelligence Committee members about the significance of Ukraine and the perils of advancing the false claim that Ukraine and not Russia had interfered with the 2016

election. "This is a fictional narrative that has been perpetrated and propagated by the Russian security services themselves," she said. Critical of partisan rancor, she beseeched members to "not promote politically driven falsehoods that so clearly advance Russian interests."

As for the inferred quid pro quo between Trump and Zelensky, Hill confirmed Sondland's earlier testimony that "everybody was in the loop," including the vice president, the secretary of state and the White House acting chief of staff.

While true that the administration under pressure did release the military-aid funds without Zelensky's public announcement of an investigation, which Trump had specifically requested, his intentions alone created problems for those serving in Ukraine. In Hill's words: "[Sondland] was being involved in a domestic political errand. And we were being involved in national security, foreign policy. And those two things had just diverged."

Hill's testimony jibed with earlier testimony by acting Ukraine Ambassador William Taylor that there was a regular policy executed by the diplomatic corps and a "highly irregular" policy run by Rudy "Hand Grenade" Giuliani, whose legacy as former New York City mayor, we should note, has definitively expired.

Whether Donald Trump is impeached remains to be seen. But the shame of his highly irregular behavior in seeking political favors from a foreign entity is softened somewhat by the pride one can feel in our diplomats, experts and fact witnesses to whom we are beholden for their good grace.

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Spice up your holidays with these European-style cookies

By Lynda Balslev
Speculoos (or speculaas) is a Belgian and Dutch Christmas cookie. They are simple, crisp cookies, very spiced yet not overly sweet, and similar to a gingersnap. Traditionally, they are made with a special mold, called a springle mold, in which the dough is placed and pressed, yielding quaint reliefs, such as windmills, angels, cottages and St. Nicholas. If you don't have a mold, the dough can simply be shaped in balls and pressed with your fingers, or rolled thin and cut with a cookie cutter.

It's the spice blend that sets these cookies apart. In Europe you can purchase pre-made speculoos spice blends, yet it's very easy to make your own, as it's essentially a laundry list of Asian and East Indian spices that you most likely have in your spice drawer. As with most blends, speculoos blends can vary slightly from baker to baker. The key is to not hold back on any of the spices and include a generous amount in the cookie batter, because it's the kick of spice that distinguishes these fragrant cookies.

Speculoos Cookies

Active Time: 30 minutes
Total Time: 45 minutes, plus chilling time
Makes about 3 dozen cookies
Spice blend:
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground ginger
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
1/2 teaspoon ground cardamom
1/4 teaspoon ground coriander
1/4 teaspoon white pepper



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| 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour | 1 teaspoon baking soda |
| 1/2 cup almond flour or finely ground almonds | 1/2 teaspoon salt |
| | 1 cup dark brown sugar, packed |

1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter, softened
1 large egg
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
Sliced almonds for garnish
Demerara sugar for sprinkling

Mix the spice blend ingredients in a bowl to blend. Add the flour, almonds, baking soda and salt, and stir to combine.

Cream the brown sugar and butter in the bowl of an electric mixer fitted with a paddle attachment until light and fluffy. Add the egg and vanilla

and mix to combine. Add the dry ingredients and mix on medium-low speed until just combined, without overmixing. Gather the dough and flatten into a disk. Refrigerate for at least 1 hour.

Heat the oven to 350 degrees and line a baking sheet with parchment.

Roll out the dough 1/8- to 1/4-inch thick and cut into desired shapes with a cookie cutter. (Alternatively, shape the dough into 1-inch balls and place on the prepared baking

sheet, at least 2 inches apart. Flatten each ball with your fingers or the bottom of a water glass into 1 1/2-inch disks.) Press a few almonds into the top of each cookie and sprinkle with a pinch of demerara sugar.

Bake until light golden and firm, 12 to 14 minutes. Transfer to a wire rack and cool completely. The cookies will harden as they cool. Store in an airtight container at room temperature for up to one week.

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Wrestling - Southwood at Rochester, 10 a.m.

Apache swimming falls in opener

Despite seven first-place finishes on the night, Wabash's girls' swim team fell to 95-77.

Victories came from Becca Bruss in the 100-yard backstroke and 200-yard freestyle, Grace Schoening in the 500-yard freestyle, Lacey Crist in the 100-yard breaststroke, Abbie Boggs in the 200-year individual medley, the 200-yard medley relay team of Schoening, Crist, Bruss and Boggs and the 400-yard freestyle relay team of Boggs, Schoening, Bruss and Madison Inman.

Autopsy pending for woman brought to ER by Redskins player

ASHBURN, Va. (AP) — Authorities say an autopsy is pending for a woman who died after being brought to a Virginia hospital by Washington Redskins safety Montae Nicholson.

Loudoun County sheriff's spokesman Kraig Troxell tells WTOP-FM that 21-year-old Julie E. Crabbe's autopsy is pending toxicology results that could take months. An unresponsive Crabbe was hospitalized on Nov. 14. Hospital personnel initially said she was suffering from an apparent drug overdose.

The Washington Post reports a search warrant made public last week says pills, marijuana and foil with residue were found in Nicholson's Ashburn home. His lawyer, Mark Dycio, says the drugs belonged to a guest.

The warrant surveillance video shows Nicholson and a man named Kyle Askew-Collins leaving Crabbe at the hospital. Askew-Collins didn't immediately return requests for comment. No charges have been filed.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL



BATTLE: Northfield's Addi Baker (right) and Peru's Courtlynn Crowe (left) battle for a rebound during the second half of Monday's game.

Norse offense comes alive against Peru

BY JACOB RUDE
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Northfield had been seeking all season an offensive performance like the one it finally found on Monday. A struggling offense had led to a 2-3 start and an average of just 37.0 points per game for the Norse, the lowlight being a season-low 20 points in a loss to Huntington North on Saturday.

But back home in more friendly confines, the Norse resembled a form far closer to last season than at any point yet this year, pouring in a season-high in points in their Three Rivers Conference opener to secure a 65-44 win over Peru.

"The girls played great," Northfield head coach Melissa Allen said. "They're doing what they asked them to tonight. They cut down on their turnovers, they were getting assists and they were running. I thought they did great."

From the onset, it was an entirely different looking Northfield side. After building an early 6-5 lead, an 8-0 run looked to be a precursor to the hosts blowing the game open at 14-5. Peru, though, did something it would repeat multiple times in the evening, scoring seven of the final nine points of the first to trail just 16-12 before opening the second period with a pair of Courtlynn Crowe freebies to trail by only two.

But Northfield responded with a layup and three-pointer from Addi

Baker, the latter the first of her career, and a pair of baskets from Ainsley Dale to open the lead back to 26-17 before a Peru timeout. The break did not slow down the Norse as Baker and Dale each scored again as part of a 14-3 run to guide Northfield to a 32-19 halftime lead.

"We were running," Allen said on how her side find success offensively on the night. "We might not have made the first shot but we were crashing the boards, getting offensive rebounds and we were playing within ourselves and not trying to play half-court ball."

In danger of again seeing the game blown open, Peru responded once more, using an early 10-0 run to again pull within four at 36-32. A pair of three-pointers from Logan Mouser were sandwiched by baskets from Jenna Watkins and Crowe in the run.

"We just couldn't get over the hump," Peru head coach David Weeks said. "It was almost like we had to use a lot of energy to get to that point and then they'd go on a run and our energy level went back down. We came back out in the third quarter, we got within (four) and came out with a lot of energy to get back to that point. Then they just kind of sucked it back out of us. Give them credit. They did what they had to do to extend the lead and pull away with the win."

"We found a lot more success in

the second half," he added. "We kind of switched things up in the second half. We were able to get going better with attacking inside. But we left some layups we should have hit."

Northfield absorbed the run and delivered a bigger one of its own in response. Baker and Dale again keyed the run, scoring the first nine points of it before baskets from Kearston Stout and Kenzie Baer closed the 13-2 run as Northfield's lead had ballooned to 15.

This time, Northfield would not surrender a run from Peru as all seven of Fayth Leming's points came in the opening stages of the fourth while Emma Hoover scored all six of her points in the final frame as well.

Northfield had three players reach double figures with Baker pouring in a game-high 19 points. Dale and Baer had 12 apiece while Stout tallied nine.

"It's huge," Allen said of her team's balanced attack on the night. "That means the other team can't focus on one player when we have four or five girls scoring."

Crowe and Mouser each scored 13 for Peru, the former scoring nine of hers in the third period and the latter 10 in the second half. Kelsie Kelly had eight points for Peru as well.

Northfield improves to 3-3 on the year while Peru is 3-2 with the loss.

NFL

Colts expect ankle injury to keep Ebron out for rest of the season

BY MICHAEL MAROT
AP Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS — Indianapolis Colts coach Frank Reich first learned about Eric Ebron's problematic ankle before last week's game.

On Monday, the injury ended Ebron's season.

The Pro Bowl tight end was placed on the injured reserve list, dealing a Colts already struggling offense yet another jarring blow.

"He came in last week — it flared up on him," Reich said. "Prior to that, really there were no problems with it as far as practice or playing. Then when it flared up on him last week, it became a little bit of an issue so we ended up having to make the move we did today."

The timing couldn't be worse for the Colts (6-5).

Quarterback Jacoby Brissett already is playing with a sprained medial collateral ligament in his left knee, starting running back Marlon Mack already has been ruled out of this week's game with a fractured right hand, four-time Pro Bowl

receiver T.Y. Hilton returned from an injured calf in Thursday night's loss albeit on a limited basis and No. 2 receiver Devin Funchess continues trying to work his way back from a broken collarbone that was suffered in the season opener.

The Colts have lost three of four to fall out of the AFC South lead and into a tie for second place with surging Tennessee (6-5), which comes to town Sunday. And they play three of their last four on the road.

But the bigger mystery appears to be the injury itself.

Reich said he was aware Ebron had a scan on his ankle before training camp but was only told it was bothering Ebron last week. Ebron, meanwhile, used his Twitter account to detail his own account.

"Unfortunately, I have been dealing with an ankle injury since the beginning of the season," Ebron wrote. "Up to this point, the team and I have done everything in our power to manage the pain and get me out there each and every week. My goal was to push off surgery until the offseason, but at this point

the pain has become unbearable and I can no longer give my team or the fans a worthwhile version of myself."

Ebron's role in the offense also had declined in the wake of Andrew Luck's sudden retirement and the return of Pro Bowl tight end Jack Doyle this season. Through 11 games, he had 31 receptions for 375 yards and three touchdowns compared with 66 receptions for 750 yards and 13 TDs in 16 games last season.

He can now become a free agent in March.

"Obviously, Eric has been a good playmaker for us. He had a big year last year. He is always a threat," Reich said. "He's a very talented tight end with a lot of speed, so we'll miss that."

Reich remains hopeful newly signed Ross Travis can help out right away since he's already familiar with the system and at least some of his new teammates.

Travis played four games with the Colts in 2017 before spending all of last season on injured reserve.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Hoosiers hold off Louisiana Tech 88-75

BY MICHAEL MAROT
AP Sports Writer

BLOOMINGTON — Archie Miller enjoyed seeing the Indiana Hoosiers offense work in almost perfect sync during the first half Monday night.

He grimaced at the second half.

Freshman Trayce Jackson-Davis scored a season-high 21 points, Al Durham added 18 and the Hoosiers overcame continual miscues to hold on for an 88-75 victory over Louisiana Tech.

"We were fortunate to be bailed out by some rebounds and some fouls and some free throws," Miller said. "A team at home, up 23-8, you've got to find a way to put that nail in the coffin at some point. We didn't do it tonight."

Clearly, the game tape will demonstrate what things need to be fixed.

But the bottom line: Indiana is 6-0 for the first time since 2012-13 and found a way to persevere thanks largely to Jackson-Davis. He scored 17 of the Hoosiers' 36 second-half points, made four of Indiana's eight second-half baskets and wound up 11 of 13 from the free-throw line. He also had 11 rebounds for his third double-double of the season.

Without him, the Bulldogs might have come all the way back from the 39-16 deficit they faced with 7:29 left in the first half.

"I thought they were very sharp early on and we got ourselves in a hole we couldn't dig out of," Louisiana Tech coach Eric Konkol said. "It says a lot about our guys to keep playing extremely hard and just find a way. Proud of our guys for the fight but the turnovers that we had and the number of times that we fouled them and put them on the free-throw line really hurt us."

Miller felt similarly about the final 20 minutes when the Hoosiers shot just 32 percent from the field, missed all six 3-pointers and committed 12 turnovers.

The cracks, though, started showing late in the first half when Louisiana Tech cut the halftime deficit to 52-36 then continued through the second half.

Two free throws from DaQuan Bracey with 11:19 to go made it 62-51. Several times, the Bulldogs had chances to get within single digits. Amorie Archibald scored a career high 24 points to lead Louisiana Tech (4-2) and Isaiah Crawford added a career best 14 to keep the pressure on Indiana.

But the constant parade to the free-throw line helped Indiana stay in control and eventually close it out.

"Second half, embarrassing really how we took care of the ball," Miller said. "We weren't able to really play the game the right way in terms of how we moved it, shared it, free-flowing. It just became a dribble-fest, a turnover-fest and there weren't a whole lot of people in my opinion in sync. It was really hard to play the second half based on that."

BIG PICTURE

Indiana: Miller said as good as the first half was, the second half was equally bad. The Hoosiers cannot afford to play so inconsistently when the competition ramps up over the next over the next two weeks.

STAT SHEET

Louisiana Tech: Bracey scored 10 points. ... The Bulldogs are 4-12 all-time against the Big Ten and 0-3 all-time against the Hoosiers with the three losses coming by margins of 21, 29 and 13. ...

Indiana: Devonte Green made 5 of 8 from the field in his first six minutes on the court and finished with 16 points. ... Indiana was 28 of 38 from the free-throw line. ... Rob Phinisee took the night off because of multiple injuries including taking a shot to the face in Indiana's previous game. Miller said he hopes to have Phinisee back at practice Wednesday or Thursday.

UP NEXT

Indiana closes out the Indiana Challenge on Saturday by hosting South Dakota State.

SCOREBOARD

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Indiana High School Girls Basketball Top 10

The Indiana Coaches of Girls Sports Association Top 10 basketball teams, with first-place votes in parentheses and previous rankings:

Class 4A	W-L	Pts	Prv
1. Northwestern (5)	6-0	94	1
2. Lawrence North (2)	6-0	80	3
3. Crown Point (1)	5-0	76	4
4. Homestead (2)	4-0	72	2
5. Fishers	7-0	54	6
6. Penn	5-0	49	5
7. Hamilton Southeastern	5-1	41	7
8. Brownsburg	6-1	28	9
9. Jeffersonville	6-1	25	8
10. Center Grove	6-1	18	NR

Others receiving votes: North Central, West Lafayette Harrison, Merrillville.

Class 3A	W-L	Pts	Prv
1. Salem (7)	6-0	112	2
2. Benton Central (3)	6-1	102	1
3. Gibson Southern (2)	3-0	90	3
4. Norwell	5-1	65	6
5. Heritage Christian	2-2	59	4
6. Mishawaka Marian	4-1	56	5
7. Silver Creek	5-0	49	7
8. Danville	4-0	40	T9
9. Ft. Wayne Bishop Luers	3-1	22	8
10. Winchester	5-0	18	T9

Others receiving votes: Washington, Garrett, Greensburg, Evansville Memorial, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Vincennes Lincoln, West Lafayette, Hamilton Heights, Rushville, Northwood, Tippecanoe Valley.

Class 2A	W-L	Pts	Prv
1. Triton Central (7)	6-0	76	1
2. N. Judson (1)	5-0	66	2
3. Linton-Stockton	6-0	65	3
4. Vincennes Rivet	4-0	59	5
5. University	6-0	42	8
6. Shenandoah	4-0	39	4
7. Monroe Central	2-0	34	7
8. Crawford Co.	6-2	17	10
9. Lafayette Ct Catholic	3-2	13	6
10. Eastern (Pekin)	2-3	12	9

Others receiving votes: Cloverdale, Lapel, Westville, South Central Union Mills, Providence.

Class 1A	W-L	Pts	Prv
1. Loogootee (8)	4-0	95	1
2. Jac-Cen-Del (1)	4-1	79	2
3. Tecumseh	1-1	78	5
4. Oregon-Davis	4-1	75	4
5. Trinity Lutheran (1)	2-1	61	3
6. Morgan Twp.	4-1	52	7
7. Lanesville	6-2	22	NR
8. Greenwood Christian	2-2	20	8
9. Southwestern (Silvle)	4-1	15	6
10. Kouts	6-1	9	NR

Others receiving votes: Blue River Valley, Pioneer, Edinburgh, Orleans, North Central Farmersburg, Bethesda Christian, North Miami, Northfield, Union City, Waldron, Springs Valley.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Monday's men's games

Bucknell 77, Seattle 70
Drexel 84, Rosemont 51
La Salle 75, Murray St. 64
Loyola (Md.) 81, IUPUI 77
Alabama A&M 80, Troy 66
Arkansas 62, Georgia Tech 61, OT
Austin Peay 92, SC State 66
Campbell 52, Jacksonville 57
Florida St. 113, Chicago St. 56
George Mason 60, Old Dominion 53
Lipscomb 78, Tennessee Tech 65
N. Kentucky 86, Midway 56
Richmond 62, Wisconsin 52
South Alabama 74, Northeastern 62
South Florida 66, Loyola of Chicago 55
Tennessee 58, Chattanooga 46
VCU 78, Alabama St. 62
Vanderbilt 78, SE Louisiana 70
W. Kentucky 69, Fordham 64
Winthrop 127, Pfeiffer 83
Butler 63, Missouri 52
Cincinnati 81, Valparaiso 77, OT
Dayton 80, Georgia 61
Grand Canyon 68, Illinois St. 63
Green Bay 85, CS Northridge 84
Indiana 88, Louisiana Tech 75
Kansas 93, Chaminade 63
Louisiana-Lafayette 81, Detroit 62
N. Illinois 74, Oakland 50
Nebraska 82, Washington St. 71
Nebraska-Omaha 78, Southern U. 51
Nevada 77, Bowling Green 62
Northwestern 78, Bradley 51
Ohio St. 71, Kent St. 52
Pittsburgh 63, Kansas St. 59
Rio Grande 79, Texas A&M International 52
Texas State 61, Abilene Christian 56
Auburn 84, New Mexico 59
Montana 74, Texas Southern 62
New Mexico St. 78, Colorado St. 70, OT
San Diego St. 62, Tennessee St. 49
Wright St. 72, Weber St. 57

Monday's Result

INDIANA 88, LOUISIANA TECH 75

LOUISIANA TECH (4-2)
Muhammed 2-5 1-2-5, Pemberton 1-2 0-0-3, Ledoux 3-7 0-0-6, Bracey 3-11 2-6 10, Jean 2-4 0-0-5, Powell 0-0 0-1 0, Crawford 5-8 3-3 14, Thomas 1-1 0-0-2, Gordon 1-1 0-0-2, Williams 2-5 0-0-4, Archibald 8-13 3-3 24, Armstead 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-57 9-15 75.

INDIANA (6-0)
Jackson-Davis 5-9 11-13 21, Smith 1-6 1-3 3, Brunk 5-10 2-2 12, Franklin 1-4 2-3 4, Durham 6-10 5-7 18, Thompson 2-2 1-2 6, Anderson 1-2 2-2-5, Hunter 0-2 3-4 3, Davis 0-0 0-0 0, Green 6-11 1-2 16. Totals 27-56 28-38 88.

Halftime-Indiana 52-36. 3-Point Goals-Louisiana Tech 10-25 (Archibald 5-9, Bracey

COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)

12 p.m.
ESPNU: NIT Season Tip-Off: Western Michigan vs. Seattle University, Third-Place Game, Orlando, Fla.

2 p.m.
ESPNU: NIT Season Tip-Off: Yale vs. Bucknell, Championship, Orlando, Fla.

2:30 p.m.
ESPN2: Maui Invitational: Georgia vs. Michigan State, Consolation Semifinal, Maui, Hawaii

5 p.m.
ESPN2: Maui Invitational: Chaminade vs. UCLA, Consolation Semifinal, Maui, Hawaii

ESPNU: Legends Classic: Wisconsin vs. New Mexico, Third-Place Game, Brooklyn, N.Y.

6 p.m.
CBSSN: Cancún Challenge: Wichita State vs. South Carolina, Semifinal, Cancún, Mexico

7 p.m.
BTN: New Jersey Tech at Rutgers

ESPN2: Legends Classic: Richmond vs. Auburn, Championship, Brooklyn, N.Y.

8 p.m.
ESPN: Maui Invitational: Dayton vs. Virginia Tech, Semifinal, Maui, Hawaii

FS1: Central Michigan at DePaul

Standings through Monday games

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE

Conference	All Games
W L PCT W L PCT	
Louisville	1 0 1.000 6 0 1.000
Virginia	1 0 1.000 6 0 1.000
Virginia Tech	1 0 1.000 6 0 1.000
North Carolina	1 0 1.000 4 0 1.000
Pittsburgh	1 0 1.000 5 2 .714
Boston College	1 0 1.000 4 2 .667
Georgia Tech	1 0 1.000 2 2 .500
Duke	0 0 .000 6 0 1.000
Notre Dame	0 1 .000 5 1 .833
Florida St.	0 1 .000 5 1 .833
Clemson	0 1 .000 5 1 .833
NC State	0 1 .000 5 1 .833
Syracuse	0 1 .000 4 1 .800
Wake Forest	0 1 .000 3 2 .600
Miami	0 1 .000 4 3 .571

Wednesday's Games

Saint Louis at Boston College, 2 p.m.
Alabama at North Carolina, 2:30 p.m.
Maine at Virginia, 4 p.m.
Oklahoma St. at Syracuse, 7:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Northwestern, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Memphis at NC State, 4 p.m.
Wake Forest at College of Charleston, 4:30 p.m.

BIG EAST CONFERENCE

Conference	All Games
W L PCT W L PCT	
DePaul	0 0 .000 6 0 1.000
Butler	0 0 .000 6 0 1.000
Xavier	0 0 .000 6 1 .857
Creighton	0 0 .000 4 1 .800
Seton Hall	0 0 .000 4 1 .800
Marquette	0 0 .000 3 1 .750
St. John's	0 0 .000 5 2 .714
Providence	0 0 .000 4 2 .667
Georgetown	0 0 .000 4 2 .667
Villanova	0 0 .000 4 2 .667

Wednesday's Game

Seton Hall at Oregon, 9:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Providence at Long Beach St., 2 p.m.
Davidson at Marquette, 6 p.m.
San Diego St. at Creighton, 10:30 p.m.

BIG TEN CONFERENCE

Conference	All Games
W L PCT W L PCT	
Ohio St.	0 0 .000 6 0 1.000
Indiana	0 0 .000 6 0 1.000
Penn St.	0 0 .000 5 0 1.000
Maryland	0 0 .000 5 0 1.000
Michigan	0 0 .000 4 0 1.000
Illinois	0 0 .000 5 1 .833
Iowa	0 0 .000 4 1 .800
Rutgers	0 0 .000 4 1 .800
Wisconsin	0 0 .000 4 2 .667
Purdue	0 0 .000 3 2 .600
Nebraska	0 0 .000 3 2 .600
Michigan St.	0 0 .000 3 2 .600
Northwestern	0 0 .000 3 2 .600
Minnesota	0 0 .000 3 3 .500

Wednesday's Games

Michigan at Iowa St., 12 p.m.

ON THE AIR

8:30 p.m.

CBSSN: Cancún Challenge: Northern Iowa vs. West Virginia, Semifinal, Cancún, Mexico

9:30 p.m.
ESPN2: Hall of Fame Classic: Butler vs. Stanford, Championship, Kansas City, Mo.

10:30 p.m.
ESPN: Maui Invitational: Kansas vs. BYU, Semifinal, Maui, Hawaii

11:30 p.m.
ESPN2: MGM Resorts Main Event: Clemson vs. Colorado, Championship, Las Vegas

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

7 p.m.
ESPNU: Western Michigan at Northern Illinois

COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL (WOMEN'S)

10 p.m.
ESPNU: Pepperdine at Brigham Young

NBA BASKETBALL

8:30 p.m.
NBA: LA Clippers at Dallas

NHL HOCKEY

8 p.m.
NBCSN: Dallas at Chicago

SOCCER (MEN'S)

12:55 p.m.
TNT: UEFA Champions League: Bayer Leverkusen at Lokomotiv Moscow, Group D

3 p.m.
TNT: UEFA Champions League: Paris Saint-Germain at Real Madrid, Group A

Mississippi at Penn St., 5 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Northwestern, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Maryland at Temple, 11 a.m.
Texas Tech at Iowa, 8 p.m.

HORIZON LEAGUE

Conference	All Games
W L PCT W L PCT	
Wright St.	0 0 .000 5 1 .833
N. Kentucky	0 0 .000 5 2 .714
Milwaukee	0 0 .000 5 3 .625
Oakland	0 0 .000 4 3 .571
Youngstown St.	0 0 .000 3 3 .500
Cleveland St.	0 0 .000 3 4 .429
Green Bay	0 0 .000 2 3 .400
Ill.-Chicago	0 0 .000 2 4 .333
IUPUI	0 0 .000 2 4 .333
Detroit	0 0 .000 1 4 .200

MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

Conference	All Games
W L PCT W L PCT	
Kent St.	0 0 .000 5 1 .833
Miami (Ohio)	0 0 .000 4 1 .800
Bowling Green	0 0 .000 5 2 .714
Buffalo	0 0 .000 4 2 .667
Akron	0 0 .000 4 2 .667
Ohio	0 0 .000 4 3 .571

WEST

Conference	All Games
W L PCT W L PCT	
E. Michigan	0 0 .000 6 0 1.000
Cent. Michigan	0 0 .000 5 1 .833
N. Illinois	0 0 .000 6 2 .750
Ball St.	0 0 .000 4 2 .667
Toledo	0 0 .000 4 2 .667
W. Michigan	0 0 .000 4 3 .571

MISSOURI VALLEY CONFERENCE

Conference	All Games
W L PCT W L PCT	
N. Iowa	0 0 .000 6 0 1.000
Bradley	0 0 .000 4 2 .667
Drake	0 0 .000 4 2 .667
Evansville	0 0 .000 4 3 .571
Valparaiso	0 0 .000 4 3 .571
Loyola Chicago	0 0 .000 3 3 .500
Missouri St.	0 0 .000 3 4 .429
Illinois St.	0 0 .000 2 4 .333
Illinois	0 0 .000 2 4 .333
Indiana St.	0 0 .000 2 4 .333

SUMMIT LEAGUE

Conference	All Games
W L PCT W L PCT	
South Dakota	0 0 .000 5 1 .833
S. Dakota St.	0 0 .000 5 3 .625
N. Dakota St.	0 0 .000 4 3 .571
Nebraska-Omaha	0 0 .000 4 3 .571
Oral Roberts	0 0 .000 3 4 .429
Denver	0 0 .000 2 3 .400
Purdue Ft. Wayne	0 0 .000 3 3 .375
North Dakota	0 0 .000 1 4 .200
W. Illinois	0 0 .000 1 4 .200

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	10	1	0	.909	300 117
Buffalo	8	3	0	.727	231 173
N.Y. Jets	4	7	0	.364	198 258
Miami	2	9	0	.182	163 346

South

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	7	4	0	.636	265 249
Indianapolis	6	5	0	.545	244 226
Tennessee	6	5	0	.545	245 217
Jacksonville	4	7	0	.364	209 264

Tennessee 42, Jacksonville 20
New England 13, Dallas 9
San Francisco 37, Green Bay 8
Open: Arizona, Minnesota, Kansas City, L.A. Chargers

Monday's Game

Baltimore 45, L.A. Rams 6

Thursday's Games

Chicago at Detroit, 12:30 p.m.
Buffalo at Dallas, 4:30 p.m.
New Orleans at Atlanta, 8:20 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 1

Tampa Bay at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Washington at Carolina, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
Philadelphia at Miami, 1 p.m.
L.A. Rams at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
L.A. Chargers at Denver, 4:25 p.m.
Oakland at Kansas City, 4:25 p.m.
New England at Houston, 8:20 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 2

Minnesota at Seattle, 8:15 p.m.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	12	4	.750
Toronto	12	4	.750
Philadelphia	11	6	.647
Brooklyn	9	8	.529
New York	4	13	.235

Southeast Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	12	4	.750
Orlando	6	10	.375
Washington	6	9	.357
Charlotte	6	12	.333
Atlanta	4	13	.235

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	14	3	.824
Indiana	10	6	.625
Detroit	6	11	.353
Chicago	6	12	.333
Cleveland	5	12	.294

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	11	5	.688
Houston	11	6	.647
New Orleans	6	11	.353
San Antonio	6	12	.333
Memphis	5	11	.313

Northwest Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	12	3	.800
Utah	11	6	.647
Minnesota	9	8	.529
Oklahoma City	6	10	.375
Portland	6	12	.333

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	15	2	.882
L.A. Clippers	12	5	.706
Phoenix	8	8	.500
Sacramento	7	9	.438
Golden State	3	15	.167

Monday's Games

Brooklyn 108, Cleveland 106
Detroit 103, Orlando 88
Indiana 126, Memphis 114
Boston 103, Sacramento 102
Miami 117, Charlotte 100
Minnesota 125, Atlanta 113
Toronto 101, Philadelphia 96
Milwaukee 122, Utah 118
Portland 117, Chicago 94
L.A. Lakers 114, San Antonio 104
Oklahoma City 100, Golden State 97

Tuesday's Games

L.A. Clippers at Dallas
Washington at Denver

Today's Games

Brooklyn at Boston, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Orlando at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Sacramento at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Utah at Indiana, 7 p.m.
New York at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Miami at Houston, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Seattle 17, Philadelphia 9
Washington 19, Detroit 16
Tampa Bay 35, Atlanta 22
New Orleans 34, Carolina 31

N.Y. Jets 34, Oakland 3
Buffalo 20, Denver 3
Chicago 19, N.Y. Giants 14
Pittsburgh 16, Cincinnati 10
Cleveland 41, Miami 24
Seattle 17, Philadelphia 9
Washington 19, Detroit 16
Tampa Bay 35, Atlanta 22
New Orleans 34, Carolina 31

N.Y. Jets 34, Oakland 3
Buffalo 20, Denver 3
Chicago 19, N.Y. Giants 14
Pittsburgh 16, Cincinnati 10
Cleveland 41, Miami 24
Seattle 17, Philadelphia 9
Washington 19, Detroit 16
Tampa Bay 35, Atlanta 22
New Orleans 34, Carolina 31

Thursday's Games

No games scheduled

Friday's Games

Boston at Brooklyn, 12 p.m.
Charlotte at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Milwaukee at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Indiana, 8 p.m.
Golden State at Miami, 8 p.m.
New Orleans at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
Utah at Memphis, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Dallas at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Chicago at Portland, 10 p.m.
Washington at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	23	15	3	5	35	83
Florida	24	12	7	5	29	88
Montreal	23	11	7	5	27	80
Tampa Bay	21	12	7	5	29	88
Toronto	25	11	10	4	26	81
Buffalo	24	11	10	3	25	69
Ottawa	24	11	12	1	23	65
Detroit	26	7	16	3	17	59

Metropolitan Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	25	16	4	5	37	91
N.Y. Islanders	22	16	4	2	34	68
Carolina	24	15	8	1	31	83
Pittsburgh	24	13	7	4	30	81
Philadelphia	24	12	7	5	29	72
N.Y. Rangers	22	11	9	4	24	74
Columbus	23	10	9	4	24	59
New Jersey	22	8	10	4	20	57

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	25	14	5	6	34	74
Dallas	25	15	8	2	32	72
Winnipeg	24	14	9	1	29	68
Colorado	23	13	8	2	28	81
Nashville	23	11	9	3	25	81
Chicago	23	9	9	5	23	66
Minnesota	24	9	11	4	22	66

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Old flame is on man's mind while marriage loses intimacy

DEAR ABBY: I am in a 14-year marriage, but there has always been another woman, “Emily.” I have thought about almost daily the whole time. My wife and I have just turned 40. We have no kids, but we have a dog. I always thought I would want kids, and we tried half-heartedly, but there is no real intimacy to this day. I kiss her goodbye in the morning and, for years, that’s been it.

Emily is all in on a relationship with me still to this day. We had a great relationship with great sex, and I miss all of that. I’m struggling about the right thing to do, partly because I know the pain this will cause.

My wife and I still have good times together with friends, but when we’re home, it’s like we’re just best friends with no benefits. One of the last times we had sex, she ended it abruptly. The flame I felt for her is gone. I feel like I should go the other direction because she wants kids and still loves me deeply after all these years. Please advise. — Wrestling With It In Wisconsin

DEAR WRESTLING: Clearly you have never stopped talking to Emily. Quit “wrestling” and talk with your WIFE. She may have ended your last sexual encounter because it was physically painful or because she no longer feels emotionally connected to you.

The person who can help you determine what to do next is the woman to whom you are married. Whether this marriage is salvageable is debatable, but this I do know: A healthy marriage takes TWO committed individuals, and in this case, one of them (you) has been missing in action.

DEAR ABBY: I am an older woman who finally got fed up with my husband’s cellphone addiction. Since he would no longer speak to me but spent all his time scrolling on his device, I went out and bought a realistic-looking baby doll. When he pulled out his cell, I pulled out my doll. I talked to it, fiddled with its buttons and carried it everywhere. He finally yelled at me, “It’s not real!” to which I replied, “It’s real; it’s just not alive. LIKE YOUR CELLPHONE.”

This final scene was played out in the dining room of our country club, which was filled with members. The phone and “baby” stayed in the car after that. We laugh about it now, and she’s resting comfortably in her carrier, just in case she’s ever needed again. — Thought I’d Share This

DEAR THOUGHT: I hesitate to endorse implied threats in marital disagreements, but your solution worked — brilliantly. So who am I to argue with success? Congratulations!

DEAR READERS: Tomorrow is Thanksgiving, and no Thanksgiving would be complete without sharing the traditional prayer penned by my dear late mother:

*Oh, Heavenly Father,
We thank Thee for food
and remember the hungry.
We thank Thee for health
and remember the sick.
We thank Thee for friends
and remember the friendless.
We thank Thee for freedom
and remember the enslaved.
May these remembrances
stir us to service.
That Thy gifts to us may
be used for others.
Amen.*

Have a safe and happy celebration, everyone! — Love, Abby

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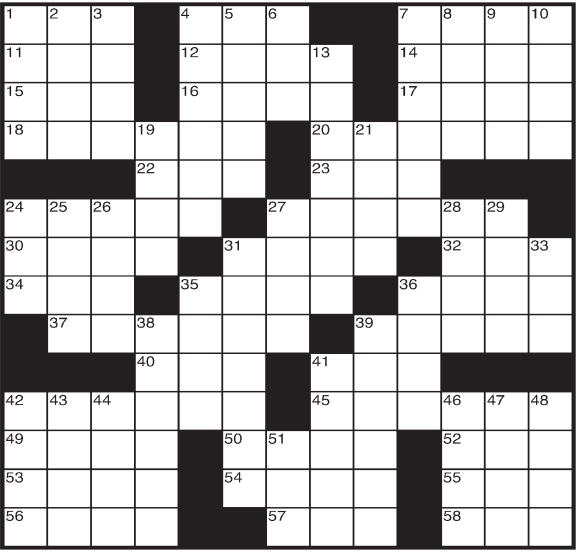
CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Kitten’s cry
 - 4 Universal rival
 - 7 Bone below the elbow
 - 11 KLM datum
 - 12 Jai —
 - 14 Count —! —
 - 15 “What’s up, —?”
 - 16 Hired hoodlum
 - 17 Accord
 - 18 Pries
 - 20 Kids’ wheels
 - 22 Bad-mouth
 - 23 Maize unit
 - 24 Ekberg or Garbo
 - 27 Familiarize
 - 30 Averages
 - 31 Climb a rope
 - 32 Gotcha!
 - 34 Std.
 - 35 Passing fancy
 - 36 “Rag Mop” brothers
 - 37 “Anyone home?” (hyph.)
- DOWN**
- 1 Rx items
 - 2 Bond’s alma mater
 - 3 Baylor University site
 - 4 Chatterbox
 - 5 Type of varnish
 - 6 — Zedong
 - 7 Sports official
 - 39 Precipitous
 - 40 Herriot, e.g.
 - 41 Writer — Tolstoy
 - 42 Nursery rhyme girl (2 wds.)
 - 45 Natural
 - 49 Confirm
 - 50 It’s — you!
 - 52 Airport rental
 - 53 Like some eagles
 - 54 Stratum
 - 55 Med. plan
 - 56 Low voice
 - 57 Distinct period
 - 58 Da or ja

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 8** Ooze out
- 9** Polite
- 10** Hill builders
- 13** Temporary
- 19** Chances
- 21** Spring forecast
- 24** Resort
- 25** Undulating
- 26** As a result
- 27** Columbus’ home
- 28** Cognomen
- 29** King James pronoun
- 31** Field event (2 wds.)
- 33** Sacred snake of Egypt
- 35** Cry of delight
- 36** Like — of bricks
- 38** Work too hard
- 39** Lady from Toledo
- 41** Metric unit
- 42** Rum cake
- 43** Ellipse
- 44** Animal skin
- 46** “— -Breaky Heart”
- 47** Tractable
- 48** Psyche’s beloved
- 51** Diner staple



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How to play:

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION								
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6	5	3	7	4	9	8	1	2
8	6	9	5	3	4	1	2	7
4	2	7	9	1	8	5	3	6
1	3	5	6	2	7	9	8	4

JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

BLERE

NYILV

TODIUS

OGLNOA

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

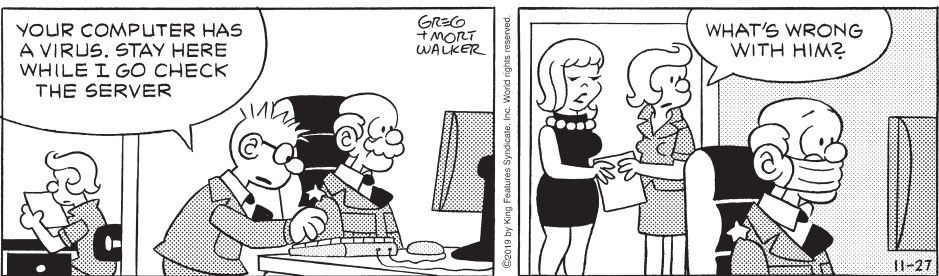
Yesterday's Jumbles: FAITH DEPTH EXCUSE FONDLY
Answer: You could tell that the lobsters were in love by their — DEEP AFFECTION

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane

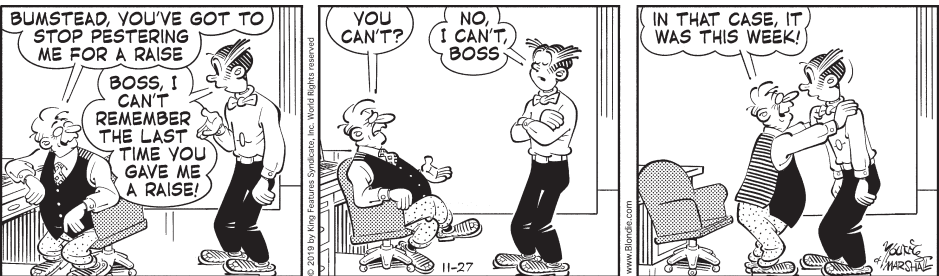
“Now you just tell Jeffy you’re sorry.”

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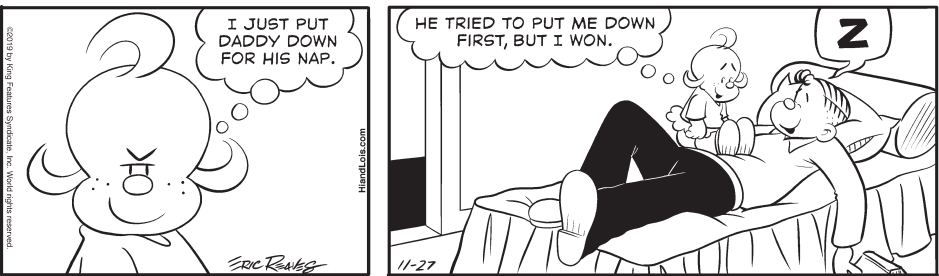
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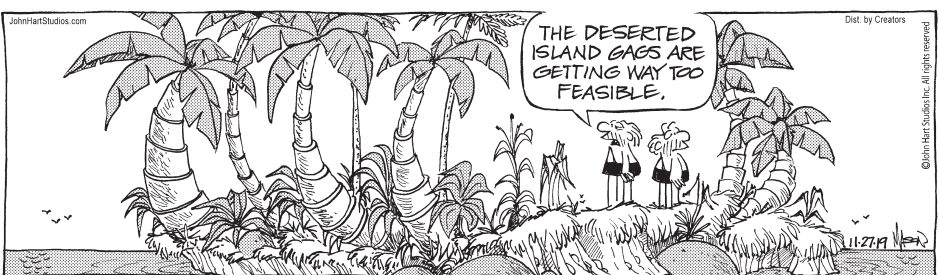
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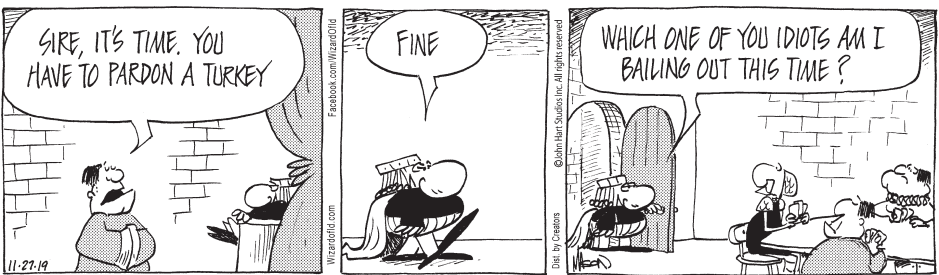
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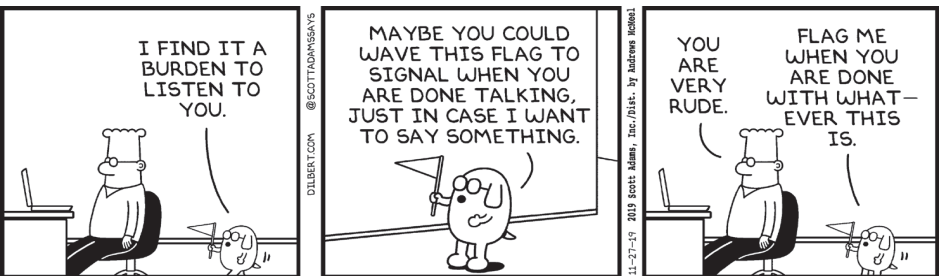
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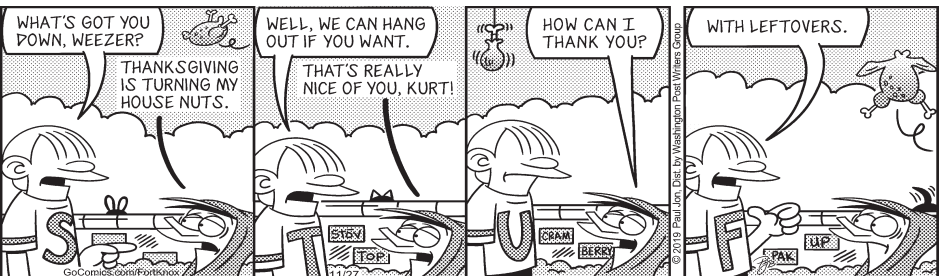
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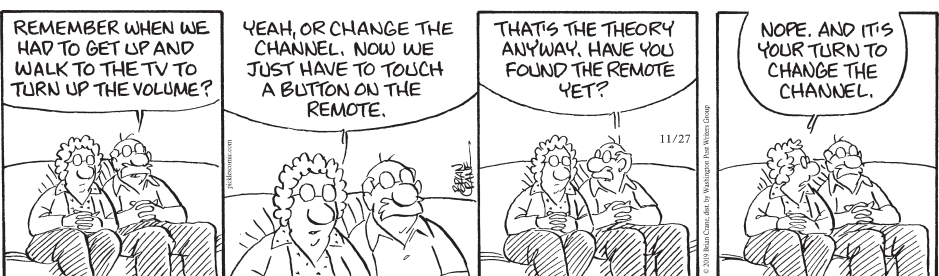
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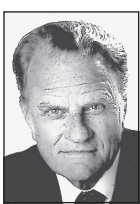


Organ donation is a very loving act

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

Q: I’ve been told that it is against the Bible to be an organ donor because of the coming resurrection when our bodies will be raised to life again. Is it wrong to donate bodily organs to science after death, for instance, in the case of donating eyes, and how does one go about it? — A.D.

Billy Graham
My Answer



A: People are given a choice to enter into a program to donate organs after death, for instance, when a driver’s license is renewed. It is a very loving act because it might give the gift of sight or even extend someone else’s life. There are many people who have settled this and have signed up for the organ donor program.

The Bible teaches that those

who belong to Christ will be given new and perfect bodies by God in eternity. He is not dependent on the elements of our old bodies to accomplish this miracle.

While there are many things we can do in this life to reach out and help others, the greatest treasure we can give others is to lead them to the truth of eternal life through finding Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Organ transplants may delay death for a time, but it is important to remember that death comes to all. Salvation seals eternal life in

Heaven with Him.

When Jesus died on the cross He gave the ultimate sacrifice — His very life. He shed His blood to pay for the sins of mankind. He took upon Himself our sin and our guilt. He offers us forgiveness, and new life to come. “But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us” (Romans 5:8, NIV). Life is brief, and no matter who we are, life will be over quickly. The time to settle our eternal destiny is today.

CELEBRITY CIPHER by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“ L I I E K P F F X W S K S Z R I K N P ’ S J V X P
K P Z N — K S ’ N N V O I S A K P F T I W X I
S W Z F A S , W P R K P S Z X P , T I S I W U A V Z X
U A K E R X I P . ” — M V C U I J X V S A I X N

Previous Solution: “It’s never too early to involve your kids in giving back. And the more hands-on the experiences are, the better.” — Soleil Moon Frye

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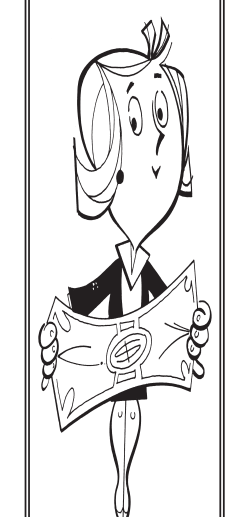
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS City of Wabash 202 S. Wabash Street Wabash, Indiana 46992 Separate sealed Bids for the construction of the Wabash CSO Phase 3 Mitigation Project will be received by the City of Wabash Board of Public Works and Safety at the Wabash City Hall, located at 202 S. Wabash Street, Wabash, Indiana 46992 until 4:00 PM (local time) on December 19, 2019. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the City of Wabash Board of Public Works and Safety Meeting beginning at 4:00 PM (local time) on the same date. Any Bids received later than the above time and date will be returned unopened. Description of Work: This is a sewer separation project that includes installation of approximately 2,800 LF of 12-inch to 24-inch storm sewer, 3,700 LF of 8-inch to 30-inch sanitary sewer, related appurtenances, and site restoration. One location requires trenchless casing installation. A Pre-Bid Meeting is scheduled for December 10, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. (local time) at the Wabash City Hall, located at 202 S. Wabash Street, Wabash, IN 46992. This meeting is not mandatory, but attendance is strongly recommended. All prime contractors, subcontractors, small, minority, disadvantaged and/or women business enterprises and other interested parties are invited and encouraged to submit a proposal. The Bidding Documents may be examined at the following locations: United Consulting, 8440 Allison Pointe Boulevard, Suite 200, Indianapolis, Indiana 46250 City of Wabash, 202 S. Wabash Street, Wabash, Indiana 46992 Dodge Data & Analytics (Plan Room) BX Indiana Construction League (Plan Room) Copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained at the office of United Consulting, located at 8440 Allison Pointe Blvd., Suite 200, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46250 Telephone (317) 895-2585, upon a nonrefundable payment of \$150.00 for each set. Any questions, comments, or requests for clarification should be made to United Consulting. No Bid will be considered unless submitted on a copy of the printed proposal form in the Bidding Documents. Bidders must obtain bid documents from United Consulting to be included in the project plan holders list to ensure proper notification of any Addendum. Failure to obtain Bidding Documents in this manner may be deemed as non-responsive and may result in Bid rejection. Each bid must include the following completed and executed items:

1. Proposal Form
2. Form 96 (State Board of Accounts)
3. Bidder's Financial Statement (if required by Form 96)
4. Bid Bond or Certified Check (5% of bid amount)
5. E-Verify Affidavit
6. Bidder's written plan for a program to test Bidder's employees for drugs in accordance with IC 4-13-18.

The Bidder to whom the Work is awarded will be required to furnish, before commencing Work, Performance and Payment Bonds in an amount equal to the Contract Price, and Certificates of Insurance required in the specifications. All Bonds and liability insurance shall remain in effect for a period of twelve (12) months following completion and OWNER acceptance of construction. Contractors and subcontractors performing public works with a value of \$300,000 or greater must be certified by the Indiana Department of Administration (IDOA) in accordance with IC 4-13.6-4. Failure to execute a Contract and to furnish a Performance Bond, Payment Bond, Certificates of Insurance, and General Contractor IDOA Certification, as hereinafter set out will be cause for forfeiture to the OWNER of the amount of money represented by the certified check or Bidder's Bond, as and for liquidated damages. A conditional or qualified Bid will not be accepted. No Bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of Bids for at least 60 days to allow review of Bids before announcing award of Contract. Bidders shall be required to meet all applicable State requirements including but not limited to those in IC 4-13.6-4, IC 4-13-18, 5-16-13, 22-5-1.7 and 36-1-12. The OWNER reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, or to make such combination of Bids as may seem desirable, and to waive any and all informalities in the bidding. The OWNER may award Bids based upon selection of any combination of Bid line items as well as mandatory alternatives. Bids shall be awarded to the Bidder or Bidders deemed to be the lowest, responsible, and responsive by the OWNER.

By the order of the City of Wabash,
Scott A. Long, Mayor
November 2019 HSPAXLP 11/27.12/4/2019

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...BECAUSE MONEY
DOESN'T GROW ON TREES!

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For any general merchandise item in any given week, the market of shoppers is very small (thin).



4.9% shopped for women's shoes

Technological innovation and the economic downturn has changed the way that U.S. consumers shop. Consumers have become more destination shoppers, making more considered purchases and doing their homework before heading to the store. Three-quarters of all U.S. adults read a newspaper in print or online in the past week; over 170 million adults. For shoppers, newspaper advertising is an opt-in medium in an opt-out world.

95% of U.S. adults report that the recession has impacted their shopping in some way. 76% report doing fewer shopping trips. Adults also plan purchases more (67%). Actual purchases continue to be predominantly made in stores (79%) though shopping information channels have dramatically expanded.

59% of adults rank newspapers first as the media used to help plan shopping or make purchasing decisions in the past 7 days. 80% of newspaper readers report looking at advertising when reading the paper.

41% say newspapers are the medium used most to check out ads, more than all electronic media combined. (TV, radio, Internet)

77% of newspaper readers took an action as a result of a print newspaper ad in the past 30 days. 59% clipped a coupon, 52% bought something advertised and 45% visited a store.

60% of newspaper readers followed up a newspaper ad online in some way. 44% went to a website after seeing a print newspaper ad and 28% conducted an online search after seeing a newspaper ad.

82% of readers used a preprinted insert in the past 30 days. On average, adults keep inserts 4.4 days. 59% used to compare prices, 55% used to compare one circular to another, 52% saved until visiting the store and 43% used to make an unplanned purchase.

Scarborough Research 2008
How America Shops and Spends/ MORI Research 2009

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